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SUBJECT: PACIFIC NORTHWEST REGIONAL COMMISSION TRADE MISSION

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1. IN THE COURSE OF MAKING ARRANGEMENTS AND APPOINTMENTS FOR THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST REGIONAL COMMISSION TRADE MISSION, EMBASSY HAS LEARNED THAT COMMISSION REPRESENTATIVES HAVE MADE REQUESTS FOR ASSISTANCE, NOT ONLY FROM US, BUT ALSO FROM WEYERHAUSER CORPORATION OFFICE IN TOKYO, THE DE GRASSI PUBLIC RELATIONS FIRM IN TOKYO, THE GOJ, AND EMBASSY FISHERIES ATTACHE AS A SEPARATE COMMERCIAL ADDRESSEE. IT APPEARS TO US THAT THIS DIVISION OF RESPONSIBILITY FOR MISSION PREPARATIONS IN TOKYO CREATES A RISK OF DUPLICATE APPOINTMENTS OR OTHER PLANNING GAPS. WE ARE DOING OUR BEST TO AVOID SUCH ERRORS AND UNDERSTAND FROM WEYERHAUSER REPS THAT THEY ARE DOING THE SAME.

2. WE SUGGEST THAT DEPARTMENT SEEK AN OPPORTUNITY TO DELICATELY INFORM COMMISSION REPRESENTATIVES, POSSIBLY MR. LARRY LAMB, THAT IT WOULD BE HELPFUL FOR ALL CONCERNED IF A SINGLE COORDINATOR FOR MISSION PREPARATIONS IN TOKYO COULD BE DESIGNATED. THE COMMISSION HAS CLOSE TIES WITH THE WEYERHAUSER OFFICE IN TOKYO AND MIGHT WISH TO ASK MR. FRANKLIN OF WEYERHAUSER TO TAKE ON THAT TASK. THE EMBASSY WOULD ALSO BE HAPPY TO DO IT. AFTER TAKING THAT STEP WE WOULD UNCLASSIFIED

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HOPE THAT, WHOMEVER THE COMMISSION ASKS TO MAKE

APPOINTMENTS OR ARRANGEMENTS, THE DESIGNATED COORDINATOR
BE ALSO INFORMED SIMULTANEOUSLY OF THE REQUEST.
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